



# NORTH SHORE CRICKET CLUB

**North Shore Cricket Club  
Newsletter  
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## Latest news:

**\*\*\*B GRADE INTO THE GRAND FINAL THIS WEEKEND!!!!\*\***

To help entice you down to Blackman Upper this weekend, the club is inviting all members to be part of a new & unique finals experience - "The Lumley Lounge".

"The Lumley Lounge" is our own marquee which will be erected on the ground complete with tables & chairs for you to sit in comfort and watch the exciting closing stages of the match from.

No doubt you might get a little peckish as the day unfolds so to assist with that aspect, **"Benno's BBQ"** will be making a return with none other than **Compo "The Crispy Chef"** in charge of the tongs.

But wait, there's more .....

It's a bit boring watching a tense finals match without a beer in your hand so we'll also take care of that too. **There will be a keg on ice** to help keep your fluid levels at a satisfactory level and lubricate your vocal chords.

Entry to "The Lumley Lounge" will be restricted to those **wearing club apparel only**. So, if you want a beer or a snag, make sure you are wearing a club shirt, otherwise, you won't be allowed in.

So, from **1pm on Sunday**, be part of "The Lumley Lounge" at Blackman Reserve Upper, Lloyd Rees Dve, Lane Cove - it's sure to be a winning combination !!!

## Latest news:

Plenty has happened in the last couple of weeks. North Shore have finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the club championship in two consecutive seasons! This is an outstanding result for a club this size and we'll be looking to go one better in season 2008/2009.

We've had 4 teams play in finals the last few weeks. A couple of weeks ago now the C1 day grade had a tie in the grand final. Richard Austin took 4 wickets for 5 in a great bowling and fielding effort. The batting started well and the side was 2/59 at one point needing 29 runs for victory. A spectacular batting collapse saw the sides drawn on 88. The premierships has gone to the opposition by default. The phrase 'like kissing your sister' was heard numerous times after the match.

A special thanks must go to Paul Riddett, Cam Wright and Adam Pegg for arranging pumps and spending hours on Friday night and Saturday morning draining the puddles on Blackman Upper. Also to Will McArthur for putting on a grand final breakfast that was thoroughly enjoyed by the players and their families.



Scenes at Blackman upper before and after - C1 day GF  
Peggy working hard on Friday and Monkey the mud sucker Sat morning

## Semi-finals Review

In the **A grade** semi-final at Castle Cove we batted on day one after rain again hampered play. Against arch enemies Cammeray, the side batted first and made a meek 130. On day 2 the side took early wickets to set up the match but the middle order got away. At 8 wickets down the opposition scraped past the total and have ended the A grade season.

**A grade have won the 1 day premierships for the third season running!!!!**

**A-reserve** played well in their semi-final at Blackman Upper vs Mosman. Day 1 was lost due to wet conditions however day 2 was a one day match. The opposition batted first and made 9/194. A good start was made by captain Dougall Whalley. Bevan Read made 50 and Paul McLaren provided good support but a slowing run rate late in the innings made it tough for the lower order. In his glorious return to the playing arena Mark Lumley was the not out batsman. The side was bowled for 172.

The success of last weekend was B Grade. Having bowled a bunch of upstarts from the Wanderers for 90, the side looked well poised to take the match. In a surprise turn of events the side fell to 9/60 in the chase. A final wicket partnership by Nitesh Arabolu and Dave 'Magic' Johnson steered the side home.



Nitesh

B Grade Captain Chris Dutton

## Presentation Night

The clubs annual presentation is expected to be held on the first weekend of May 2008. Tell the Missus, tell your boss, tell you dog that you are now booked that weekend for the presentation night. We are finalising some details on the evening and will be sending out flyers very soon.

**BE AT BLACKMAN RESERVE THIS SUNDAY 1PM**